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# MINUTES

OF THE

## One Hundred Thirty-Eighth Annual Session

OF THE

## Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association

HELD WITH

## Park View Church

WINSTON-SALEM, NORTH CAROLINA

SEPTEMBER 18, 19, 20

# 1970

Next session convenes with Liberty Hill Church, located on Highway 27 West of Albemarle, North Carolina, Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1971.

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*Proceedings*

**Of The 138th Annual Session of the Original Bear Creek Primitive Baptist Association**

The Association met with Park View Church, Winston-Salem, North Carolina, Friday, September 18, 1970, and continued through Sunday following.

Brethren, sisters, and friends assembled in the church at ten o'clock and engaged in songs of praise after which Elder Charles Alderton, Brightwood, Va., led the Association in prayer to Almighty God for His divine presence and guidance. Then Elder D. B. Willard, pastor of Park View Church, delivered the Introductory Sermon from St. John 10: 24-31.

After an hour for refreshments and striking glad hands of fellowship with old and new friends, the Association convened for business. There was a short song service after which Elder Newell Helms led in prayer, and the Association proceeded as follows: Elder D. B. Willard, pastor of Park View Church served as Moderator, Brother Claud Parnell, Clerk of Park View Church served as Clerk, and called Brother Oren Baucom as Assistant Clerk.

1. Extended invitation to all orderly Primitive Baptist who are in good standing with their home churches to seats with us.

2. Called for letters of representation from the sister churches of the Association which were read by Elder Charles Smith and Elder H. L. Poplin, and their status noted.

PARK VIEW: Represented by entire membership.

LIBERTY HILL: Brethren Craven Furr, Hobart Medlin, Ned Honeycutt, and Charlie Hatley.

PLEASANT GROVE: Brethren T. B. Curlee, A. E. Broome, Harold Williams, and Melvin Mills.

UNION GROVE: Brethren Bryce Baucom, R. C. Austin, Eugene Barbee, and Keith Ledbetter.

MOUNTAIN CREEK: Brethren Lonnie Eury, Frank Medlin, Lane Vanhoy, and Seymore Honeycutt.

LAWYER'S SPRING: Brethren Grant Sikes, Robert Horne, Wilson Greene, and Orlin Stewart.

CROOKED CREEK: Brethren Buford Hinson, Charles Broadway, Don Simpson, and Bernard Simpson.

HIGH POINT: Brethren Phillip Allen, C. C. Willard, Raymond Hicks, and Stokes Willard.

MEADOW CREEK: Brethren William Allmon, W. B. Simpson, H. V. Corbitt, and Ray Eudy.

WATSON: Brethren Bobby Helms, Joe Baucom, Marvin Simpson, and Titus Tarlton.

PLEASANT HILL: Brethren Elzie Auman, Robert Copples, Steve Hunt, and Allen Copples.

HIGH HILL: Brethren James Jarrell, Carl Edwards, Earl Crook, and Ray Simpson.

BETHEL: Brethren James McLamb, Dudley Lewis, Bobby Summerset and Charles Gore.

UNION: Brethren T. B. Polk, Floyd Hawks, V. H. Solomon, and Bobby Harstin.

CORINTH: Brethren Richard Styers, Walter Peterson, and Marvin Styers.

MILLS CHAPEL: Brethren Wayne Efird, Jeff Hardy, B. L. Williams, and Roy Hardy.

OAK GROVE: Represented by letter.

HERRINS GROVE: Brethren Ray Herrin, D. M. Harkey, J. R. Almond, and J. L. Lewis.

JERUSALEM: Brethren Floyd Thomas, Bennie Thomas, Sisters Eliza Thomas, and Bessie Thomas.

NEW HOPE: Represented by letter.

3. Called for petitionary letters: None presented.

4. The Moderator was authorized to appoint Committees on Preaching and Finance: Appointed as follows:

Preaching Committee: Brother Athel Smith, Elder Brice Haigler, Elder Joe Helms, Brethren Gradon Helms, Hobart Medlin, and David Dix.

Finance Committee: Brethren Lloyd Outen, Roy Hardy, Elzie Auman, T. B. Curlee, David Helms, and Elder V. V. Willard.

5. Call for presbytery report: In response to a call for ordained help from Meadow Creek Church, the following formed a presbytery September 5, 1970 and ordained Brethren William Allmon, Howard Collins, and Ray Eudy to the office of deacon: Elders C. M. Mills, Charles Smith, Newell Helms, H. L. Poplin, A. E. Broadway, Joe C. Helms, and E. B. Watts. Deacons Fred Eudy, H. V. Corbitt, W. B. Simpson, John Barbee, Larry Austin, C. C. Willard, T. E. Ragen, Gradon Helms, Orlin Stewart, John Almond, C. C. Furr, Bill Fincher, Hobart Medlin, Charlie Hatley, Lane Vanhoy, Lonnie Eury, Joe Robinson, T. B. Curlee, Elzie Auman, W. S. Medlin, L. E. Outen, Carl Haigler, Oren Baucom, David Helms, Wilburn Mullis, Fred Baucom, Floyd Thomas, Brown Biggers and Buford Hinson.

6. Invited all visitors from corresponding associations to seats with us and welcomed the following:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder J. S. Stephenson, Elder Worth Stephenson, Brethren Seba Clifton and wife, Stokes Lawrence and wife, Richard Hayes, Sisters Gladys Carroll, Bonnie Williford, Lula West, Bonnie Blackmon, and Sister Worth Stephenson.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: No representation.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Brother Keller Rampley, Sisters Sylvia Rampley and Brenda Jordon.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: No representation.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Brother William Ogle and wife, and Sister Tom Smith.

POWELLS VALLEY: Elder Harold Hunt, Elder Kenneth Robbins, Brethren Floyd Melton and Phillip Hoskins.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder J. T. Musick, Elder Beryl Williams, Brethren Marvin Gilliland, Reves Brothers, Sisters Cleo Gilliland, Maudie Brothers, and Lena (Mrs. E. B.) Watts.

SOUTH ARKANSAS: No representation.

7. Invited visitors from associations and churches with whom we do not carry formal correspondence to seats with us and welcomed the following:

SILVER CREEK ASSOCIATION: Elder Orvin Huffman, Brother Sam Hartley and wife.

ECHECONNEE ASSOCIATION: Elder C. E. Darity

MISSISSIPPI RIVER ASSOCIATION: Elder Wiley Sammons and wife.

FIRST PRIMITIVE OF OKLAHOMA: Elder O. M. Cummings.

MAYO ASSOCIATION: Brethren F. E. Keatts, Frank Keatts, and H. C. Brumfield.

KETOCTON ASSOCIATION: Elder Phillip Johnson, Elder T. E. Majors, Elder W. G. Fletcher, Brother Marvin Galyen, Brother O. H. Alderton, and Sister Mary Alderton.

EBENEZER ASSOCIATION OF VIRGINIA: Elder Charles Alderton and wife, Sister Retha Sue Alderton, Sister Retha Alice Alderton, Brother Aubrey Utz, and Licentiate Raymond Pressley and wife, Sister Margie Pressley.

ANTIOCH ASSOCIATION OF FLORIDA: Elder Paul Law and wife, Brother Edward Jones and Sister Lerey Jones.

COMMUNITY CHURCH: Brother Posie Conner, Brother Dolphus Fain, and Elder R. W. Turner.

PINE CHURCH: Elder J. M. Draper, Brother Kemp Walker and wife, Brother James Williams and wife, Sister Mary Sowers, Brother Ashburn Williams, and Brother J. L. Ward.

NORTH VIEW CHURCH: Elder Coy Mabe, Brother J. H. Spencer and wife, Brother John Dillon and wife, Brother Hackett Dillon and wife, and Sister Velma Dillon.

MARTINSVILLE CHURCH: Sister Andrew Ashby

LEATHERWOOD CHURCH: Sister Josie Pace

DANVILLE CHURCH: Elder R. F. Kidd, Brother John Lawrence and wife.

8. Appointed messengers to visit corresponding associations as follows:

ORIGINAL LITTLE RIVER OF NORTH CAROLINA: Elder E. H. Simpson, Elder D. B. Willard, Brother Howard Edwards, and Brother W. B. Simpson.

ORIGINAL TOWALIGA: Elder Charles Smith.

LITTLE RIVER OF GEORGIA: Brother T. B. Curlee, Elder Newell Helms, and Brother W. B. Simpson.

FRIENDSHIP OF GEORGIA: Elder Brice Haigler, Brother Oren Baucom and Brother Carl Haigler.

TENNESSEE-NOLACHUCKY: Brother Joe Baucom.

POWELLS VALLEY: Elder D. B. Willard.

MT. ZION OF ALABAMA: Elder V. V. Willard, Brethren Bob Helms, Earl Crook, Edward Pressley, and Dennis Pressley.

SOUTH ARKANSAS: Minutes.

9. Unanimously agreed to continue correspondence with all associations with whom we now correspond.

10. Elder Charles Smith was unanimously appointed to write the Corresponding Letter, to be approved at our Saturday session.

11. Unanimously agreed to adjourn until Saturday morning at nine o'clock. (Meeting to continue at Union Cross Elementary School.)

Benediction by Elder T. E. Majors.

SATURDAY, September 19, 1970.

The Association met pursuant to adjournment in the School Auditorium at nine o'clock a.m. After songs of praise and prayer by Lic. Seba Clifton of the Original Little Association of N. C., the Association continued with business as follows:

12. Acknowledged visitors from corresponding associations and non-corresponding associations and churches who have arrived since our Friday session and listed their names under Items 6 and 7.

13. Called for report from the Finance Committee: Reported as follows:

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| Received from the churches . . . | $ 1,249.00 |
| Received from friends . . . . . | 185.00 |
| Total . . . . . | $ 1,434.00 |

14. Unanimously agreed to distribute minutes from corresponding associations as usual.

15. Called for Corresponding Letter which was read and approved and ordered inscribed in the minute.

16. Extended invitation for churches of the Association to request fifth Sunday meetings and unanimously granted the following:

November, 1970 – Mountain Creek Church
January, 1971 – Crooked Creek Church
May, 1971 – Pleasant Grove Church
August, 1971 – Pleasant Hill Church

17. Unanimously agreed to hold the next session of the Association with Liberty Hill Church, Stanley County, N. C., beginning on Friday before the third Sunday in September, 1971, and that the pastor of that church deliver the Introductory Sermon, by move, second, and vote.

18. Unanimously agreed to have 1400 copies of the minute printed and distributed to the churches and associations as usual, and that Brother Oren Baucom superintend same, and that he be allowed $300.00 for printing, mailing, and Clerk's expenses and services.

19. Unanimously agreed to distribute all funds above that allowed in Item 18 to ministers present, and any other associational expenses the Finance Committee may deem expedient.

20. In view of the fact that so many religious orders are turning to the new versions of the Bible, it was unanimously agreed by move, second, and vote that we add the words "King James Version" to Article 3 of our Articles of Faith.

21. Unanimously agreed by standing vote that we return thanks to God for His mercy, and to the members and friends of Park View Church and community for help in every way during this meeting. We also wish to express our thanks to Mr. Verlon Hutchins, Principal, and Mr. Nations, Janitor, and Union Cross Elementary School for the use of the school facilities, the Union Cross Fireman for directing the parking, and all others who have contributed to our welfare and comfort. May God in His tender love and mercy richly bless you all.

22. Unanimously agreed to adjourn to time and place designated in Item 17 after reading and approving the minute.

Benediction by Elder Charles Smith.

ELDER D. B. WILLARD, Moderator
BROTHER CLAUDE PARNELL, Clerk
BROTHER OREN N. BAUCOM, Ass't Clerk

**FINANCIAL REPORT**

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| Received from the churches . . . | $ 1,249.00 | |
| Received from friends . . . . . | 185.00 | |
| Total . . . . . | | $ 1,434.00 |
| Disbursements: | | |
| Printing, mailing, and Clerk's expenses and services . . . . . | $ 300.00 | |
| Ministers and miscellaneous expenses . . . . . | 1,134.00 | |
| Total . . . . . | | $ 1,434.00 |

## ORDER OF PREACHING

**Friday Morning:**

Elder D. B. Willard, St. John 10:24-31

**Friday Afternoon:**

Elder C. E. Darity, failed to get text

**Friday Night (Park View):**

Elder O. M. Cummings, failed to get text
Elder Phillip Johnson, failed to get text

**Friday Night (High Point):**

Elder Wiley Sammons, 1st Sam. 17:29
Elder Beryl Williams, Isaiah 1:18 and 1st Sam. 17:40

**Saturday Morning:**

Elder R. W. Turner, Romans 7:9
Elder T. E. Majors, 1st Kings 18:42
Elder Charles Alderton, Matt. 22:42 and 2nd Peter 3:1

**Saturday Afternoon:**

Elder Worth Stephenson, Romans 8: and Rom. 29:8
Elder W. G. Fletcher, 1st Thes. 5
Elder Harold Hunt, Matt. 5:38
Elder Kenneth Robbins, 2nd John 1

**Saturday Night (Park View):**

Elder Paul Law, Isaiah 1:3
Elder Kenneth Robbins, Romans 10:1

**Saturday Night (High Point):**

Elder Phillip Johnson, Isaiah 9:6
Elder Charles Alderton, "The Great Royalty."

**Sunday Morning:**

Elder J. T. Musick, Isaiah 7:14-21
Elder Paul Law, Romans 8:1
Elder Wiley Sammons, 1st Cor. 3:11-15

**Sunday Afternoon:**

Elder J. S. Stephenson, "The Word."
Elder C. M. Mills, 1st Timothy 1:14

## HOME MINISTERS, ADDRESSES, AND PHONE NUMBERS

Elder D. B. Willard, Route 6, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107, Ph. 769-2058
Elder Newell Helms, Route 2, Box 272, Monroe, N. C. 28110, Ph. 283-6570
Elder V. V. Willard, Route 2, High Point, N. C. 27260, Ph. 882-2820
Elder C. M. Mills, 3130 Central Ave., Charlotte, N. C. 28205, Ph. 537-9510
Elder H. L. Poplin, Route 2, Albemarle, N. C. 28001, Ph. 982-3589
Elder E. H. Simpson, Route 4, Concord, N. C. 28025, Ph. 782-7593
Elder Brice C. Haigler, Route 3 Box 305, Monroe, N. C. 28110, Ph. 283-6995
Elder Joe C. Helms, Peachland, N. C. 28133, Ph. 272-9522
Elder A. E. Broadway, Route 7, Monroe, N. C. 28110, Ph. 283-6078
Elder Rom Kerley, 903 Alma Ave., Kannapolis, N. C. 28081, Ph. 932-0519
Elder F. W. Stack, Jr., Box 713, Monroe, N. C. 28110, Ph. 283-8480
Elder W. M. Benton, Route 1, Box 140, Leland, N. C. 28451, Ph. 763-6860
Elder Charles Smith, 402 West Street, Monroe, N. C. 28110, Ph. 289-1697
Licentiate F. C. Willard, 2437 Marble Street, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107
Licentiate John Efird, Route 1, Rockwell, N. C.
Licentiate Joe N. Baucom, Route 3, Monroe, N. C. 28110

## VISITING MINISTERS

Elder Kenneth Robbins, Calvin, Ky.
Elder J. S. Stephenson, Route 3, Fuquay-Varina, N. C.
Elder Worth Stephenson, Route 3, Fuquay-Varina, N. C.
Elder Beryl Williams, 202 West Simms Ave., Albertville, Ala.
Elder J. T. Musick, 907 Maryland Ave., East, Gadston, Ala. 35903
Elder Harold Hunt, 2516 Clark Street, Maryville, Tenn. 37801
Elder R. F. Kidd, Danville, Va.
Elder T. E. Majors, 207 Cloud, Front Royal, Va.
Elder W. G. Fletcher, Route 6, Winchester, Va.
Elder R. W. Turner, Stuart, Va., Route 58
Elder Phillip Johnson, Box 283, Strasburg, Va. 22857
Elder Cecil Darity, 3071 Bloomfield Drive, Macon, Ga. 31206
Elder Wiley Sammons, Colliersville, Tenn., P. O. Box 246
Elder Oba M. Cummings, 732 South West 32nd St., Oklahoma City, Okla.
Elder J. M. Draper, Friedberg Estate, Route 4, Winston-Salem, N. C.
Elder Charles Alderton, Brightwood, Va. 22715
Elder Orvin Huffman, P. O. Box 1776, Ashville, N. C. 28802
Elder Paul Law, South On Old Dixie, Vero Beach, Fla.
Elder Coy Mabe, Danberry, N. C.
Licentiate Seba Clifton, Route 3, Benson, N. C.
Licentiate Raymond Pressley, Madison, Va. 22727

## IN MEMORIAM

We pause in solemn tribute to our dear ones who have passed away since our last association. The churches of the Original Bear Creek Association join with the bereaved families in their grief.

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| PARK VIEW: | Deacon Hubert Willard |
| PLEASANT GROVE: | Brother Marshall Mullis<br>Sister Ella Helms |
| UNION GROVE: | Brother Gilbert Baucom<br>Brother Bundy Hill<br>Sister Sally Hill<br>Brother Jonah Clontz<br>Brother Oscar Wooten |
| MOUNTAIN CREEK: | Sister Elizabeth Honeycutt |
| HIGH POINT: | Sister Alemeta Allen<br>Brother Barney Blevins<br>Sister Tashie Gray<br>Brother Henry Mitchell<br>Brother Sylvester Smith<br>Sister Nettie Loflin |
| MEADOW CREEK: | Sister Ida Almond<br>Sister Mary J. Hatley<br>Brother G. B. Jones |
| WATSON: | Sister Lizzie Clontz |
| PLEASANT HILL: | Sister Lora King |
| UNION: | Deacon W. R. Coley |
| MILLS CHAPEL: | Sister Ada Tucker<br>Sister Arrie Hargett<br>Sister Lula Richardson |
| OAK GROVE: | Brother Duncan Vaughn |
| JERUSALEM: | Sister Lydia Coble |
| BETHEL: | Deacon James Roland Mintz |

**CLERKS AND ADDRESSES**

LIBERTY HILL: Reece Eury, Route 1, Oakboro, N. C. 28129
PLEASANT GROVE: T. B. Curlee, Route 3, Marshville, N. C. 28103
UNION GROVE: Oren N. Baucom, 4133 Seaforth Dr., Charlotte, N. C. 28205
MOUNTAIN CREEK: A. C. Medlin, Route 2, Albemarle, N. C. 28001
LAWYER'S SPRING: Tommy Horne, Peachland, N. C. 28133
CROOKED CREEK: Don Simpson, Route 7, Monroe, N. C. 28110
HIGH POINT: H. M. Willard, Route 5, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107
MEADOW CREEK: Fred P. Eudy, Route 1, Box 109, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124
WATSON: T. L. Simpson, 3432 Craig Ave., Charlotte, N. C. 28211
PLEASANT HILL: G. L. Auman, Route 1, Star, N. C. 27356
BETHEL: M. D. Anderson, Shalotte, N. C. 28459
HIGH HILL: Larry Austin, Route 3, Monroe, N. C. 28110
PARK VIEW: Claud Parnell, 4244 Glen Hi Road, Winston-Salem, N. C. 27107
UNION: V. H. Solomon, Route 2, Box 302, Gastonia, N. C. 28052
CORINTH: Marvin Styers, 607 Clay Street, Kings Mountain, N. C. 28086
MILLS CHAPEL: Jeff Hardy, 307 Goldston Street, Kannapolis, N. C. 28081
OAK GROVE: Mrs. Gertrude Griggs, Route 1, Chesterfield, S. C. 27907
HERRINS GROVE: J. L. Lewis, Route 1, Mt. Pleasant, N. C. 28124
JERUSALEM: Fred Baucom, Route 2, Marshville, N. C. 28103
NEW HOPE: W. W. Davis, Route 2, Hopkins, S. C. 29061

(Send all corresponding minutes or any other correspondence pertaining to the Original Bear Creek Association to the Assistant Clerk whose name and address appears on the cover.)

## CORRESPONDING LETTER

Greetings to our brethren and churches of the Original Bear Creek Association, and to the brethren and churches of our corresponding associations.

We are privileged to meet once again in this joyous fellowship to praise God for His mercies and blessings upon us another year and to feed in these green pastures of truth and love. To follow in the old paths that the saints have trod in these times of vanity and strife truly brings to us a "peace that passeth understanding". God has blessed His kingdom down through the centuries of time, and His church still stands today as the "pillar and ground of truth".

There is no greater need today than that His truth continue to be preached and practiced by His faithful followers.

It is our desire to stand with our brethren, far and near, in the defense of the truth, and to promote love and fellowship wherever possible. May God give to us the strength to humbly submit to His will and to "endure hardness as a good soldier of Jesus Christ".

We extend a warm welcome to all our visitors who have come to be with us. We appreciate the many elders who have had a desire to come this way and to feed us with the truths of His glorious gospel. May God's blessings abide upon you in your churches and associations.

We thank God for the peace and harmony that has existed among the churches of our Association this past year and pray that it may continue for the years to come. May this same peace be found among our brethren and churches everywhere, and may our love and fellowship grow more and more as we seek to serve our God.

Humbly submitted,

Elder Charles L. Smith

**CHURCHES, MEETING TIMES**

LIBERTY HILL: 1st Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night – Pastor
2nd Sunday Morning – Elder Charles Smith

PLEASANT GROVE: 2nd Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Afternoon

UNION GROVE: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastors
4th Sunday Morning – Elder Charles Smith

MOUNTAIN CREEK: 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastors

LAWYER'S SPRING: 1st Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon – Pastor
3rd Sunday Morning – Elder Joe Helms

CROOKED CREEK: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
2nd Sunday Night

HIGH POINT: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
2nd Sunday Morning, 3rd Sunday Nights

MEADOW CREEK: 1st Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon – Pastors
3rd Sunday Morning – Elder Newell Helms

WATSON: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Nights – Pastor

PLEASANT HILL: 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
4th Sunday Nights

BETHEL: 1st Sunday Morning, Saturday Nights – Pastor
3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night– Elder W. M. Benton

HIGH HILL: 1st Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
3rd Sunday Morning – Elder Charles Smith

PARK VIEW: 3rd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night, 1st Sunday Night – Pastor

UNION: 1st Sunday Morning, Saturday Night, 3rd Sunday Morning – Pastor

CORINTH: 1st Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night, 3rd Sunday Night – Pastor

MILLS CHAPEL: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
4th Sunday Morning – Elder Rom Kerley

OAK GROVE: 4th Sunday Morning, 2nd Sunday Morning, 2nd Saturday Nights – Pastor

HERRINS GROVE: 4th Sunday Afternoon, Saturday Night – Pastor

JERUSALEM: 2nd Sunday Morning, Saturday Afternoon – Pastor

NEW HOPE: 4th Sunday Morning, Saturday Night – Pastor
2nd Sunday Morning – Elder Brice Haigler

(On Communion Sundays Services at 10 o'clock A. M. at all churches)

## RULES GOVERNING THE ORIGINAL BEAR CREEK PRIMITIVE BAPTIST ASSOCIATION

1. We understand that at whatever Church this Association is being held, it is under the authority of the Hostess Church, as any other regular or monthly conference meeting, in which the Church invites the Ministers and Messengers of the sister churches to seats, and take part with them.

2. The officers of that Church shall be the officers of the Association, provided the Pastor is a member of the Association, and if not, the Church shall elect any member of the Association to preside as Moderator. The Church may request the help of any member of another sister Church to assist in the business transactions of the Association.

3. This Association shall have no authority to pass upon any question of a disciplinary nature except it has been passed upon by the local churches composing this Association; then the work of the churches shall be recognized by the Association.

4. Any member who endeavors to bring in or inject a disciplinary question that involves fellowship, before it has been passed upon by the local churches, shall be considered out of order by the church with which the Association is being held, and by the messengers present from the sister churches.

5. The Association shall be conducted for the purpose of associating together in song, prayer, and preaching service. The Finance Committee shall disburse the funds on hand, as the Association shall so direct. The Body may receive corresponding messengers and visitors from sister associations, and may appoint messengers and visitors to keep up a correspondence with sister associations. No other business shall be transacted by the Association, except that which is necessary to set forth the status of each Church composing this Association in the form of a minute.

## ARTICLES OF FAITH

Article 1. We believe in one living and true God, the Father, the Word and the Holy Ghost.

Article 2. We believe in the man Jesus being the first of all God's creation and the pattern of all God's perfection in nature, grace and glory, and in relative union with the Divine Word, and thus united with the whole Trinity.

Article 3. We believe that the scripture of the King James Version of the Old and New Testaments contain the only written, revealed word of God and the perfect rule of faith and practice for God's Church in her militant state while here on earth.

Article 4. We believe in the doctrine of election; that God chose His Church in Christ Jesus before the world began.

Article 5. We believe in all mankind's apostacy by transgression in Adam, the federal head.

Article 6. We believe in the doctrine of original sin.

Article 7. We believe in the impotency of man to recover himself from his fallen state by his own free will and ability.

Article 8. We believe that sinners are justified freely by grace and before God by faith in Christ and His righteousness only.

Article 9. We believe that God's elect or Church shall be called, converted, regenerated and sanctified by the Holy Spirit in due time.

Article 10. We believe that the saints shall persevere in grace and never really fall away.

Article 11. We believe that baptism and the Lord's Supper are ordinances of Christ's appointment, and that believers alone are the subjects of baptism and the only proper communicants of the Supper; that the mode of baptism is immersion, and that neither of the ordinances is to be altered or changed by the inventions or opinions of men. We believe in feet washing as taught by our Savior in St. John 13:4-17.

Article 12. We believe that no man, as a minister, has any right to the administration of any of the ordinances of the gospel except such as are sound in the faith of the gospel, regularly baptized, called of God and have come under the imposition of hands by a regular presbytery.

Article 13. We believe in the resurrection of the dead, both the just and the unjust, and a general judgment.

Article 14. We believe that the punishment of the wicked will be everlasting and the joys of the righteous eternal.

## STATISTICAL TABLE

| CHURCHES | PASTORS | Communion Sundays | Rec'd by Baptism | Rec'd by Relation | Rec'd by Letter | Restored | Dis'd by Letter | Excluded | Deceased | Membership | Contribution |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Liberty Hill | Elder C. M. Mills | 1st July | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 102 | $ 100.00 |
| Pleasant Grove | Elder Joe C. Helms, Elder C. M. Mills | 2nd July | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | 55 | 69.00 |
| Union Grove | Elder C. M. Mills, Elder Newell Helms | 2nd Aug. | 15 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 5 | 201 | 171.00 |
| Mountain Creek | Elder C. M. Mills, Elder H. L. Poplin | 3rd July | 4 | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 77 | 79.00 |
| Lawyer's Spring | Elder V. V. Willard | 1st Aug. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 87 | 70.00 |
| Crooked Creek | Elder A. E. Broadway | 4th July | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 52 | 40.00 |
| High Point | Elder V. V. Willard | 4th May & Aug. | 1 | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 6 | 154 | 150.00 |
| Meadow Creek | Elder C. L. Smith, Elder C. M. Mills | 1st June | 2 | ..... | 1 | ..... | ..... | 6 | 3 | 67 | 80.00 |
| Watson | Elder D. B. Willard | 4th May | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | ..... | ..... | 1 | 38 | 40.00 |
| Pleasant Hill | Elder V. V. Willard | 3rd June | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 51 | 60.00 |
| High Hill | Elder Newell Helms | 1st Sept. | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 95 | 90.00 |
| Park View | Elder D. B. Willard | 3rd May | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 56 | 60.00 |
| Bethel | Elder Rom Kerley | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | ..... | 1 | 3 | 81 | 50.00 |
| Union | Elder E. H. Simpson | 1st May | 1 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 1 | 44 | 40.00 |
| Corinth | Elder E. H. Simpson | 3rd May | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 13 | 10.00 |
| Mills Chapel | Elder D. B. Willard | 2nd June | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 3 | 56 | 60.00 |
| Oak Grove | Elder F. W. Stack, Jr. | 4th May | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 7 | 5.00 |
| Herrins Grove | Elder Rom Kerley | 4th June | 3 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 2 | ..... | 26 | 30.00 |
| Jerusalem | Elder A. E. Broadway | 2nd Aug. | 2 | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 1 | 16 | 35.00 |
| New Hope | Elder Joe C. Helms | 4th Aug. | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | ..... | 10 | 10.00 |
| | Totals | | 35 | ..... | 2 | 4 | 2 | 19 | 29 | | 1,249.00 |

Total Membership ..... 1,288

Contributed by Friends ..... 185.00

Total Contributions ..... $ 1,434.00